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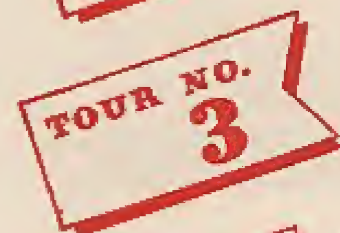
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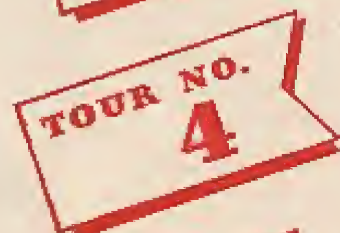
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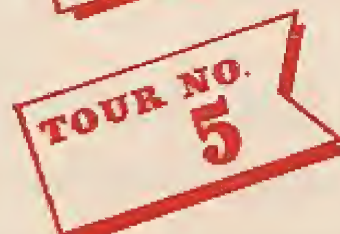
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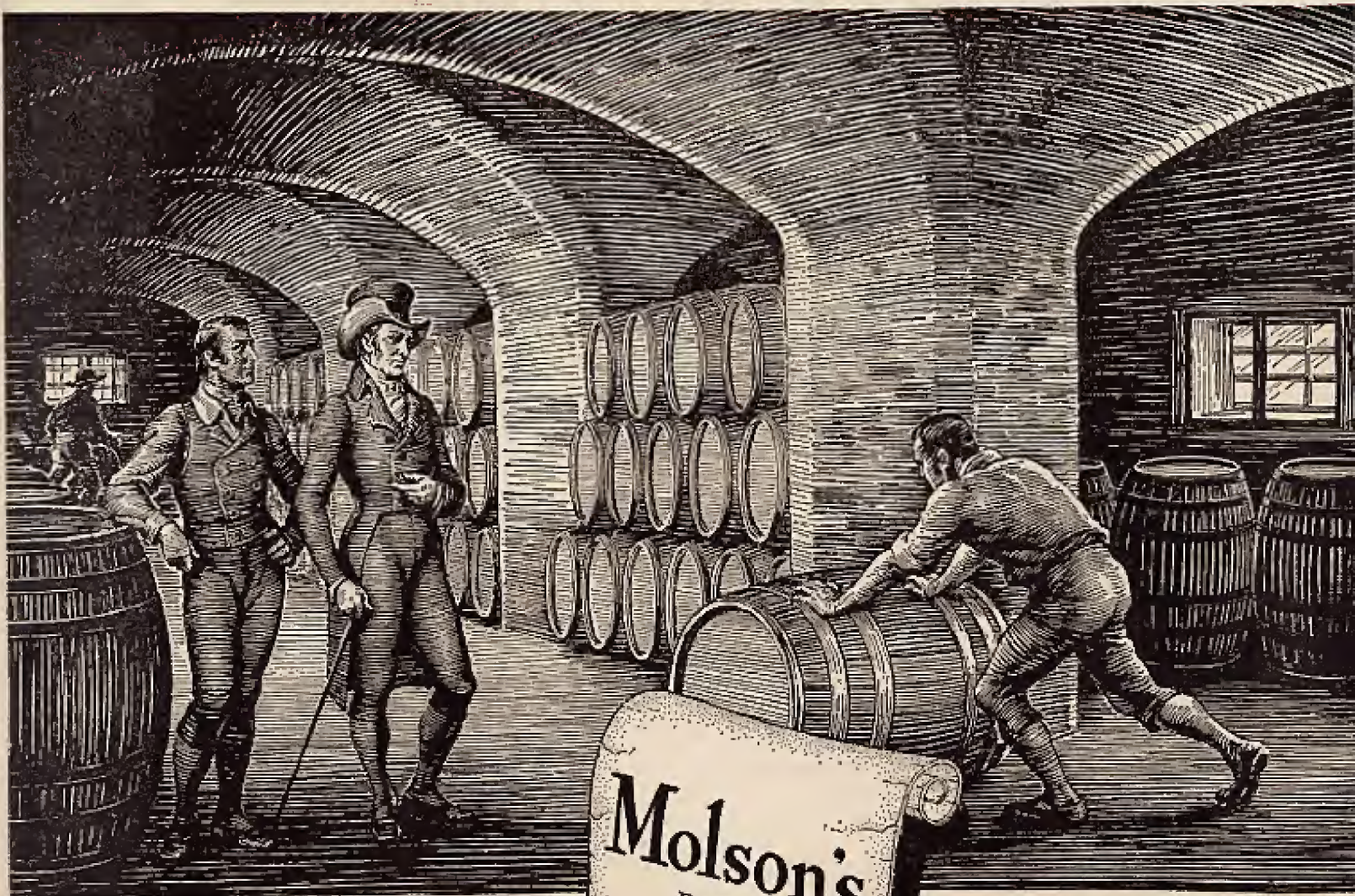


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Jacques Cartier discovered its site in 1535 when he sailed up the St. Lawrence on his second voyage of discovery to the New World. He was impressed by the little Indian village of Hochelaga nestled at the foot of the mountain. The mountain dominated the rolling plains of the surrounding terrain and from its summit there was a view fit for a king. He promptly named it Mount-Royal and from it the city has derived its name.

Acadia had its beginning with the founding of Port Royal in 1604, and

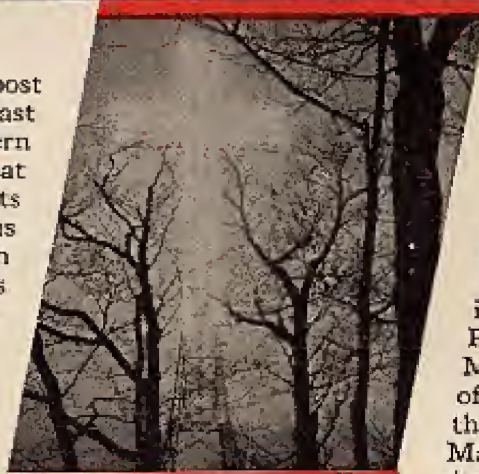
THE PICTURES

From top to bottom.

CROSS ATOP MOUNT ROYAL

OLD MONTREAL —
BONSEGOURS MARKET

NEW MONTREAL —
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Samuel de Champlain struck up through the Gulf and along Cartier's old St. Lawrence route to establish Quebec in 1608. It was inevitable that the advantageous terrain of our island should have been selected for the development of a trading post still further inland. Paul de Chomedey, Sieur de Maisonneuve, with a small band of picked companions landed on the shores of Montréal Island in May 1642 and staked out the site of to-day's metropolis. One of the first sermons preached in that community was the parable of the grain of mustard seed. Despite vicissitudes Montréal proceeded to prove the truth of the parable by rapid, lusty growth.

The first hundred years were the hardest with constant vigilance the price of life as skulking Iroquois lurked ready to pounce. In a daring gesture Maisonneuve planted a huge wooden cross atop Mount Royal to establish dominion of the white man and his beliefs over the pagan Redskin. Dollard des Ormeaux and sixteen companions in a desperate expedition to the Long Sault fifty miles above Montréal, met an invading Iroquois horde and held them at bay for seven frightful days. Dollard and his companions died but Montréal was saved. They were a tough breed, those early Montrealers, and the discouraged Iroquois withdrew. This was in 1661 and after the bloody massacre of Lachine in 1689 Montréal and its sturdy defenders had conquered the Indians. Furtive, alert, given to sudden vicious forays, the sullen Iroquois remained troublesome but organized resistance was broken. The country was French and the stage was set for the growth of trade. Montréal's storied past had begun.

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GREATER MONTREAL - Continued

Perhaps as histories go it does not compare with the violent struggles of the Old World. Its first hundred years were sanguinary enough. It has had to face and adapt itself to conquest and invasion; it has suffered rebellion, been threatened with another, and accompanying its symphony of progress have been the deep bass tones of racial and religious differences strong enough to wreck a nation. All these it has overcome and it is perhaps significant that the adventurous spirit of its sons burns strongly still in the lore of the Province, rich in legend, liberally sprinkled with heroic action and valorous deeds. Their names ring to the tune of daring exploits from the Arctic to the Caribbean and from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

To-day the story of the hardy voyageurs is emblazoned across the United States in place names which are as well known as the City from which they set out. Duluth; Père Marquette, discoverer of the Mississippi; Pierre Ménard, first governor of Illinois; d'Iberville, founder of New Orleans; Cadillac, founder of Detroit; the glamorous Cavelier de la Salle — their names march across the pages of New World history in an endless panorama of exploration, discovery and conquest.

By the early eighteenth century Montreal had outstripped other communities along the St. Lawrence Waterway, and was rapidly becoming a power in the barter trade of that day. Decades piled up. The

English and French were learning how to live side by side in peace and comfort. The deadly struggle for political power came and went. Organization replaced individual effort. French enterprise was leavened by British hard-headedness. Montréal became a great commercial center and the cornerstone of its success was its strategic geographical position. At the foot of inland navigation extending for 1200 miles into the heart of the continent; its harbour piled high with merchandize from the seven seas; the shining rails of the new trans-continental line ending at its doorstep were significant portends of the City's coming commercial greatness.

But this happy millenium was only to arrive after trials and tribulations which demanded all the courage and determination its leaders could summon. The deep

Old Stone Tower on
Sherbrooke Street
West.

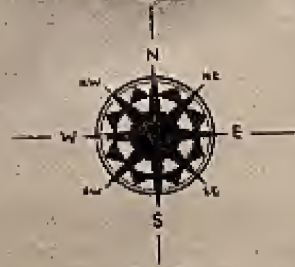


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GREATER MONTREAL - Continued

bass tones of the orchestration had not yet given way to the triumphant song of the strings.

In 1759 General Wolfe had scaled the ramparts of Quebec to defeat Montcalm in pitched battle. New France had fallen. The Union Jack flew side by side with the Fleur-de-lis in the prevailing westerly winds.

Sixteen years later General Montgomery marched proudly into Montréal at the head of his American troops. Again the governor's residence changed hands. Soon to join him were three great Americans, Benjamin Franklin, Samuel Chase and Charles Carroll. From the Château de Ramezay they waged bloodless, albeit vigorous propaganda warfare to persuade the sons of French Canada to revolt along with the American colonies. The hardy habitant, closely attached to the soil, loyal to the British who had facilitated the practise of his religion, retained the Napoleonic legal code, given him representations on the countries' councils, refused. Shortly after the City was repossessed by the British.

Sixty more or less serene years followed until volatile French wrath exploded in 1837. Rebellion flared. The French wanted fully responsible government, stronger guarantees for their language, their faith, and representation in proportion to their growing numbers. The rebellion did not fully succeed. Troubles were further aggravated by the royal decree uniting Upper and Lower Canada. Discontent grew, violence stalked. The parliament buildings in Montréal were razed in 1849. A showdown was inevitable. The outcome was the British North America Act of 1867. Canada was finally united by Confederation of all provinces and the French had had much to say about the terms.

For better or for worse, the French and English had married their differences and decided to continue along side by side. Two languages, two creeds, became the law of the land. Two widely differing temperaments were fused at last in a community of interest and purpose—not the least of which was the development of Montréal as the metropolis of their great country. Montréal's growing pains were over, it was now a city grown up, matured, wise with the lessons of the past and girded with new independence to face the future.

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TOUR NO

1

the City



YOUR tour of Montréal with a Diamond Driver may be as flexible and carefree as you desire. The following suggested route can be seen in detail on the colour map on pages 16 and 17 of this book. It includes most of the highlights of Montreal's many interesting features and is a complete tour of the City in itself.

Our starting point is Dominion Square, one of Montreal's most important and beautiful Parks. This Square is flanked by several of the City's most important buildings, the massive structure of the Sun Life Assurance Co. being the Empire's largest office building. On the West side of the Square is the Windsor Hotel. The Square is equally bisected by Dorchester Street, an important east-west traffic artery and we follow this avenue eastward to start our tour.

As we leave the Square we see on our right the imposing facade of St. James Cathedral, easily recognizable by its huge bulk and the thirteen bronze statues surmounting the portico. St. James is a one-third size replica of St. Peter's at Rome and was completed in 1894. Driving on, we next pass the huge new Canadian National Railway terminal, still under construction, and arrive in a few moments at Beaver Hall Square. Here we turn right and descend to Victoria Square.

Beaver Hall Hill is notable because it was on this steep hill leading from lower town that the famous North-West Company maintained headquarters for its vast fur-trading empire. It is of interest to recall that their greatest competitor in those heroic days was John Jacob Astor. Half way down the Hill, you will note the imposing skyscraper on your right, head office of the Bell Telephone Co. of Canada.

Victoria Square is one of the "nerve centres" of downtown Montreal. At the southern extremity of the Square we cut diagonally into Notre-Dame Street and continue eastward along that historic thoroughfare. As we turn from Victoria Square a quick vista of St. James Street, the "Wall Street of Montreal", is glimpsed.

Despite many imposing modern structures striking evidence of the Old Regime may be seen. The streets are narrow, with many old stone houses. French names in abundance create anew the atmosphere of the Old Regime in Montréal. From the narrow confines of Notre-Dame we suddenly come upon Place d'Armes, historic battleground of Montreal's early settlers.

In the centre of the Square is a monument to Maisonneuve, founder of Montréal. It was from this vicinity that such intrepid explorers as Cavalier de la Salle, Père Marquette De Soto, and others of that famed company started out. Dominating the Square is Notre-Dame Church, one of the largest in America. Completed in 1829 the present building stands on the site of the first bark chapel erected in 1642. The two square towers are replicas of Notre-Dame de Paris. Nestling beside the church is St. Sulpice Seminary, built in 1710 and headquarters of the Messieurs de St-Sulpice.

Leaving Place d'Armes we resume our journey to the east along Notre-Dame passing the fine new Court House on the right and the older Justice buildings on the left.

THE PICTURES

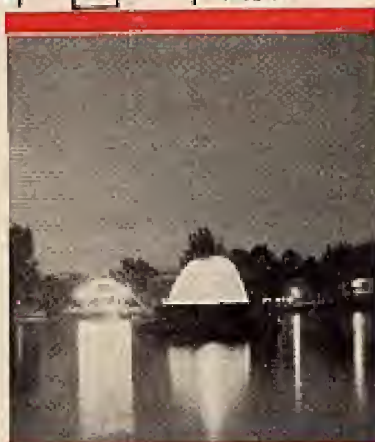
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ILLUMINATED FOUNTAIN,
LAFONTAINE PARK

ST. JAMES STREET, LOOKING
EAST FROM VICTORIA SQUARE.

SEMINARY OF SAINT SULPICE
ON PLACE D'ARMES.

CHATEAU DE RAMEZAY, NOTRE-
DAME EAST.



CITY TOUR No. 1 - Continued

The tall column of the Nelson monument looms into view at the head of Bonsecours Market. On Tuesdays and Fridays the sturdy *habitant* comes to market with the products of his toil and "Bonsecours" breathes and lives as flowers, fruits, vegetables and *tabac naturel* are traded from open stalls.

On the left, opposite the Market, is the City Hall and a few steps farther on to the right we come to famed Château de Ramezay. Built in 1705 by Claude de Ramezay, then governor of Montréal, it has successively housed English, French and American governors. Benjamin Franklin made it his headquarters in 1775.]

We roll on eastward and pass close by the Church of Notre-Dame de Bon-Secours, often referred to as the "Sailor's Church". Its spire and odd-shaped turrets are crowned by a huge statue of the Virgin. The present structure was completed in 1771.

At this point we turn north into Place Viger, a delightful leafy square named in honour of Jacques Viger, first mayor of Montréal (1832). North on St. Denis street we reach Sherbrooke and turn east toward Lafontaine Park passing the Municipal Library on the right, inaugurated by Maréchal Joffre in 1917. We then take a delightful drive through Lafontaine Park, next to Mount Royal the largest Park in the City. It



Above:—St. Joseph's Oratory. Popularly known as Brother André's Shrine.
Below:—1941 Arts and Crafts Fair, Université de Montréal. Craftswoman in her picturesque native costume.

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Our trip through the Park completed we now turn our faces westward again toward the Mountain. We reach the slopes of Mount Royal along Côte Ste-Catherine Road which cuts through the heart of Outremont, wealthy French residential suburb and turn into Maplewood Avenue. On our left we see the as yet unfinished buildings of the Université de Montréal. From Maplewood we enter Côte des Neiges Boulevard following this thoroughfare to Queen Mary Road and the Musée Historique Canadien.

A few hundred yards farther along on our left is the magnificent Oratory of St. Joseph, more popularly known as "Brother André's Shrine". This huge church, surmounted by a huge dome is a living monument to the kindly old man whose astounding cures made it possible. The Shrine is a mecca for visitors from all over the world.

From the Oratory we climb up the steep grades of Westmount Mountain to the Lookout, 650 feet above the St. Lawrence. A striking panorama of the whole

southern section of the City unfolds before our eyes. From the Lookout we wind slowly down the slopes of Mount Royal to reach Côte des Neiges Road again then down to Sherbrooke. We turn east on Sherbrooke to Peel and on the way see the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul, the Art Gallery, and imposing Chateau Apartments on our left.

This brief sketch cannot do full justice to a remarkable City. By all means see Montréal with a Diamond Driver and make the acquaintance of our beautiful buildings and monuments, our storied relics of a by-gone age, our Parks and tree-lined avenues, our Mountain and all the warm hospitality which makes of Montréal one of the most interesting places on the North American continent.

The Kilbies are popular. Sentry on duty at the Armoury of the famous Black Watch, Bleury Street.



Skiing atop Mount Royal is an important part of Montréal's Winter Sports program.



St. James Basilica on Dominion Square—a replica of St. Peter's at Rome.



Lachine Rapids &



TOUR NO.

2

Indian Reservation



CAUGHNAWAGA, the Iroquois Indian Reservation, is within easy reach of the City by Diamond Cars. The community was founded in 1716 and is now maintained for the use of the Indians under the direction of the Canadian Government. Under the leadership of Chief Poking Fire the Indians at Caughnawaga live peacefully where their ancestors once camped. The inhabitants are as modern as those of most communities in the New World. Many of the men are expert steel workers and the women of the Reserve are handicraft experts.

Caughnawaga is to the west of Montréal, on the south shore of the St. Lawrence. Leaving Dominion Square we turn north on Peel to Sherbrooke following westward along that beautiful thoroughfare to Montréal West. On the way there are stimulating sights.

At Wood Avenue Sherbrooke Street enters the municipality of Westmount, generally considered Montréal's most beautiful residential suburb.

Leaving Westmount we are in Montréal again and Sherbrooke runs in a straight line from there to Montréal West. Just before reaching the latter, another fine residential suburb, you will see the imposing buildings of Loyola College on your right, one of Canada's outstanding educational institutions and administered by the Jesuits. At Montréal West a sharp left turn takes us down to the lower level and into Ville St-Pierre. Here a broad paved highway leads to Honoré-Mercier Bridge spanning the St. Lawrence and landing us right at our destination.

Caughnawaga holds much of interest for the visitor. You may see the original mission Church, and in nearby contrast the modern church where services are still conducted in the Iroquois Indian language. The altar of the Church was brought from France in the year 1680. On the walls hang two fine paintings, donated by the French Kings Louis XIV and Charles X. Other articles of historic interest are the ciborium, presented by Empress Eugénie, a silver gilt monstrance dating from the year 1680, and a 17th century Indian grammar in manuscript form. A prized show piece is the famous Wampum Belt valued at \$50,000.00.

Wending our way homeward we select the south shore boulevard skirting the shores of the St. Lawrence all the way to Victoria Bridge. Leaving Caughnawaga and just below the Honoré-Mercier Bridge we have a magnificent view of the Lachine Rapids. They are formed by

the rush of waters into a bottle neck between Lake St. Louis and Laprairie Basin. Huge boulders line the river bed and the Rapids are renowned for their ferocity and speed.

Laprairie is the first town of importance we meet and it is easily recognizable by the huge stacks from its brick making plants. Here we link up with the Taschereau Boulevard a four-lane paved highway leading us into the south shore suburb of St. Lambert directly across from the city. At St. Lambert we reach the approach to Victoria Jubilee Bridge spanning the St. Lawrence once again. We arrive in an industrial section of Montréal and speed past warehouses and large manufacturing concerns to the recently constructed tunnel under the Lachine Canal. The exit from the tunnel debouches into Chaiboillez Square at which point we turn into Windsor Street and so up to Dominion Square. We are back at our starting point again.



St. Helen's Island &

TOUR NO.
3

Botanical Gardens

SUPPLEMENTARY to our City Tour is the St. Helen's Island and Botanical Garden Tour. As in Tour No. 1 we start at Dominion Square turning East along Dorchester Street to Beaver Hall Hill, follow along to the Southern extremity of Victoria Square where we branch into McGill Street and proceed to the Harbour front. McGill Street has many relics of Montreal's business past and many of the old warehouses and storefronts of the 1850's may be seen. At the foot of McGill Street, "Rue de la Commune" is probably one of the most famous waterfront streets in the world.

Dividing "de la Commune" Street from the wharf proper is the old Sea Wall, first constructed in the early part of the century to protect the lower town from the ravages of ice floes and high water of the turbulent St. Lawrence river in Spring flood. Inside this wall we proceed in an easterly direction passing giant grain elevators and countless Sheds of steel-and-cement construction.

As we turn from Craig Street into Delorimier Avenue, at the right may be seen the buildings of the Quebec Liquor Commission. These are, in fact, the old buildings of the original Montreal prison, altered and now used as offices and warehouse by the Liquor Commission.

Half a mile further north we make a sharp turn to the left and we are on the gradually rising ramps of the twenty million dollar Jacques-Cartier Bridge. This bridge spans over a mile of open water; the centre span arches from the shore of the Island of Montreal to St. Helen's Island which is our first stopping point. Samuel de Champlain, famed Governor of New France named this beautiful little Isle in honor of his fiancée, Hélène Boulé, in the year 1611. It became the scene of many fierce contests in the mighty struggle for power in the New World. Recently the historic old isle has been restored and modernized to make it both a modern summer playground complete with beaches and other attractions and at the same time to preserve a site of great historic interest.

The work of restoring the old forts with their buttressed walls, the sunken powder magazine, the old French stockade, blockhouse and observation post, the British barracks with guard house and tiers of loopholes, to the state in which they appeared centuries ago is now completed.

A visit to the Island brings back many famous names in the early history of America—Champlain in 1611; François de Lauzon in 1635; Charles de Lauzon in

1664; Charles le Moine in 1665; de Callière in 1687; Admiral Phipps in 1690; de Lévis in 1759; de Vaudreuil in 1760; Sir Guy Carleton and the American troops in 1775; and many others.

A 30 minute stay at the Island and we are on the move again. Back over the bridge we proceed northward again to Sherbrooke Street, turning East for a couple of miles to reach the new Botanical Gardens at Pie IX Blvd.

A most interesting twenty minutes' awaits you. The Gardens will only be completed in every last detail by 1942. In the meantime they furnish a dazzling display of Quebec flora as well as an interesting and highly instructive collection of plants and shrubbery from all over the world. The Gardens occupy 625 acres of ground and have been constructed in elaborate style at enormous cost.





Landscaped Entrance to Montreal's
Famous Botanical Gardens

Harbour Bridge and Old Forts from
St. Helen's Island

TOUR No. 3 - Continued

There is a practical side to the splendor of the Gardens. An imposing administration building houses classes where the science of agriculture is taught and where the natural resources of our French Province are explored and their commercial application analyzed. Great sections of the land are devoted to agriculture where students pursue the lore of the soil. There is a lake too, rock gardens and row upon row of hothouses for plant culture. Special exhibits show the industrial uses made from many of our primary agricultural products.

The whole area of the Gardens and surrounding avenues has been gradually developed into a sort of Parkway. Wide, tree-lined streets, solid buildings in modern style, and carefully tended lawns give the impression of a huge Park with many roadways rather than a busy crossroads of two great island-crossing highways.

A twenty minute stop, however, will suffice to leave with you the memory of rolling acres of smooth green lawn, rich brown earth, flowers in a riot of colour and the majestic umbrella elms which dot the landscape of the Gardens. Thus we retrace our steps westward along Sherbrooke Street and have an interesting four mile trip along that busy thoroughfare. On the way we skirt along the south side of Lafontaine Park, see the Municipal Library, Mount St. Louis College, the imposing facades of the St. Denis Club, the Cercle Universitaire and all the life and colour which make of our cosmopolitan City a center of vital interest for visitors from all over the World. And so back to Dominion Square, our starting point.



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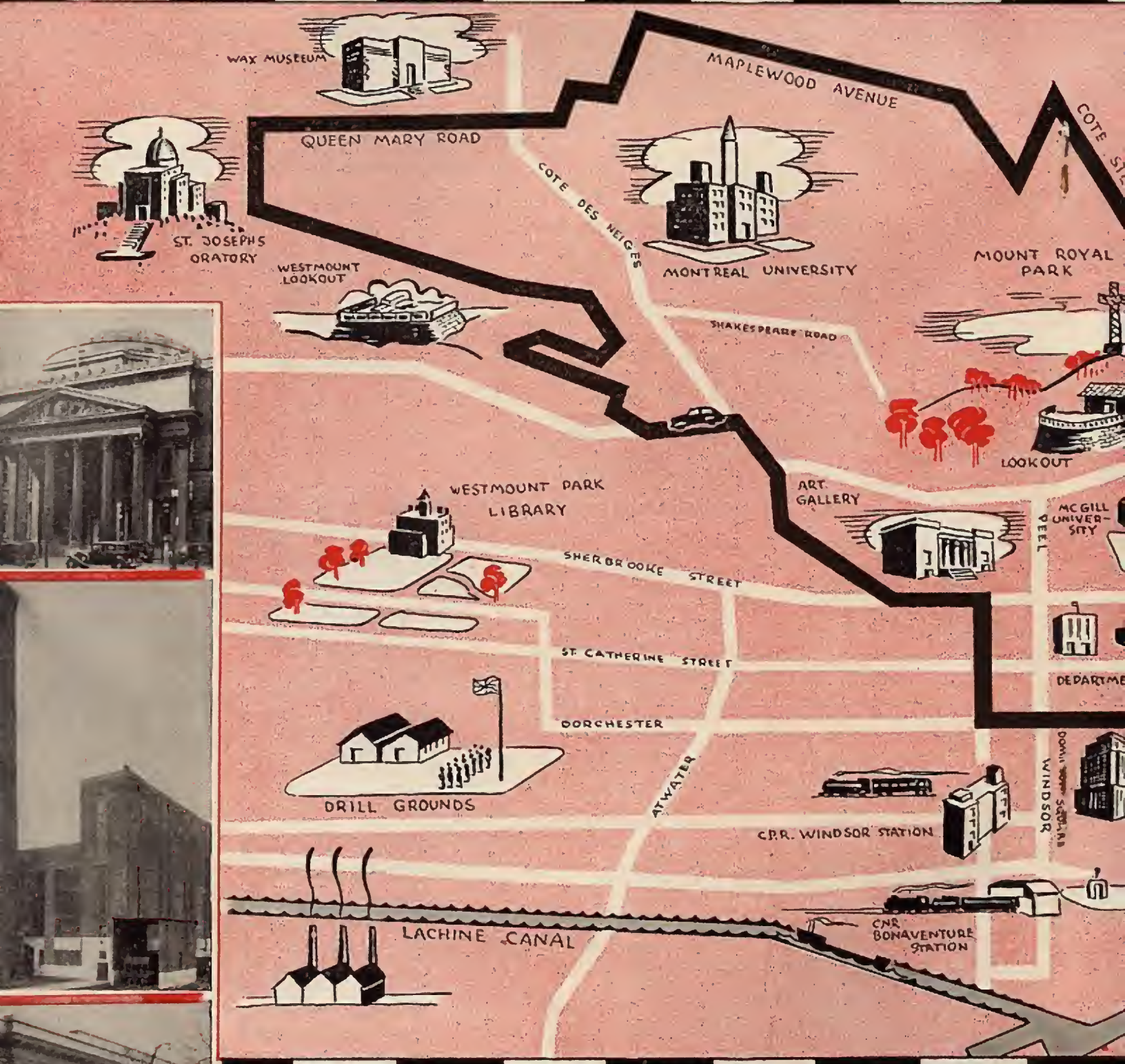
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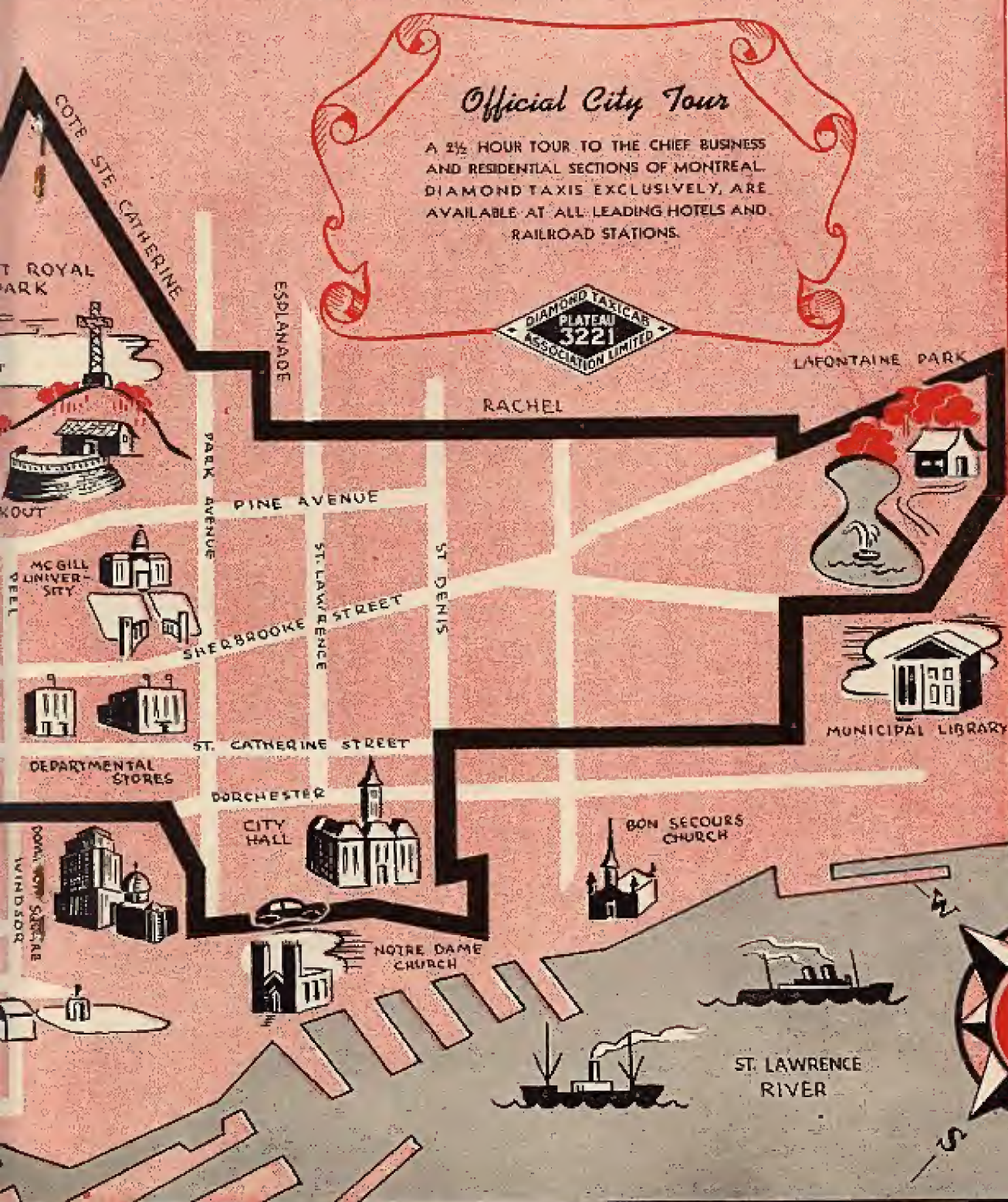
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by BARBARA BARKER



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THE PICTURES

TOP—MONTREAL'S GREAT SHOPPING CENTRE, ST. CATHERINE STREET NEAR PEELE.

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It is impossible to speak of the French Canadian without saying something about his religion. The Roman Church is dominant in Quebec. From the days of Maisonneuve it has played an historic role in the development of French Canada. With fearless energy its early missionaries pushed forward the frontiers of civilization in the New World; many of them were martyrs whose heroic memory is closely woven with the legendary history of the French Regime. The Catholic Church was the natural protector of French rights during the difficult years succeeding the conquest. Its influence, felt everywhere throughout the province, has fostered the unique duality of race, tongue and faith, which lends to Montreal a cachet not to be found elsewhere on this continent.

The question most often asked about the French Canadian concerns his language. Is Canadian French really French? Of course it is! Grammatically, French is French the world over, just as English is English no matter where it is spoken. Yet there is variation in the clipped, flat accents of the New Yorker and the drawl of Oxford. The belle of Charlotte, North Carolina would have difficulty at first in understanding the strident tones of the Cockney. Yet they are both English — with a difference!

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in Montreal-

Montréal is essentially a city of apartment dwellers and thousands of our people dine out at night. Restaurants and chop houses of every description and variety await your expectant taste. "Night Life" in Montréal is perhaps not the consciously boisterous excitement of Volstead days but connotes rather a cosmopolitan and

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Restaurants, cabarets, and drinking clubs of the swank variety abound in the Peel and St. Catherine Streets district. The word swank does not connote high price however, for most places have done away with the cover charge idea and almost all offer table d'hôte meals of excellent quality at quite reasonable prices. Radiating from this corner north, east, and south one will encounter everything from the epicurean delight of original French dishes to American style meals at numerous well known restaurants. Café Martin on Mountain Street & Drury's Old English Chop House on Dominion Square, combine smart bars and exquisite cuisine for the connoisseur.

Almost apart from the rest of our night life, and holding a niche of its own in the realm of entertainment are the honky tonks and "smokier" night spots along St. Lawrence Boulevard at St. Catherine. This area includes St. Catherine street itself for one or two blocks east and west of St. Lawrence and is popularly and affectionately known as "The Main". Entertainment of the richer variety is the rule and music and fun is rendered at fast tempo to be slowed only by the rosy tints of dawn.

Most of the larger hotels in the uptown district have smart rooms where fine whiskies, vintage wines, and mellow ales may be sampled. These rendezvous are immensely popular with Montrealers themselves and while they stress neither entertainment nor music, life and wine flow in bright colours well into the morning hours.



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If you are sports-minded the Forum offers boxing and wrestling and a variety of other indoor events. A phone call will give you the current program. At the Baseball Stadium there is baseball under lights where Montreal Royals of the International League entertain other clubs and purvey a fine brand of AA baseball.

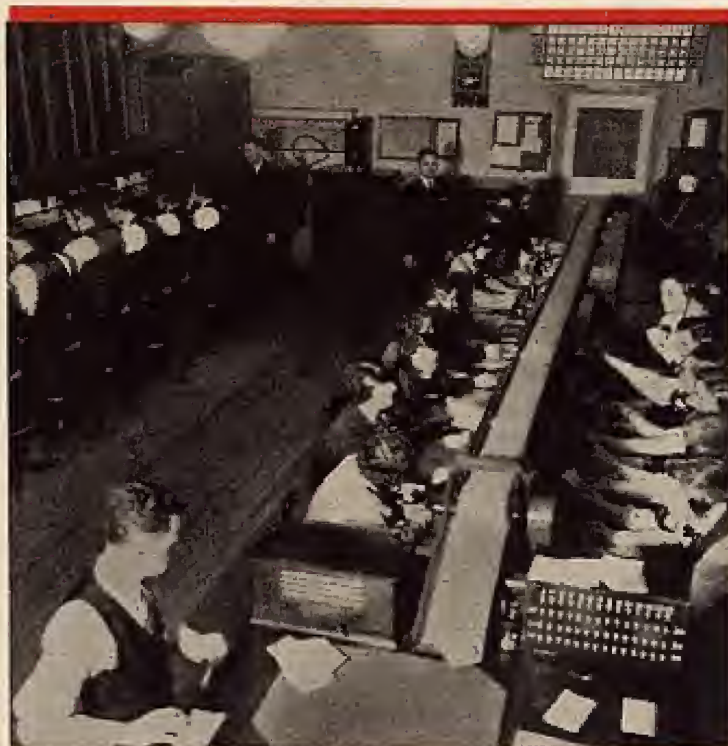
Montréal goes on display after dark. Its heterogeneous population of French and English mingle, and are on parade. They are out to enjoy themselves each in their own way and want you, the stranger within our gates, to do the same. To the best of our ability we have provided these tting to suit all tastes and purses. Lights beckon, glow warmly for the visitor to Montréal who seeks his fun after dark.

THE PICTURES

TOP PICTURE WAS TAKEN DURING THE "FETE DE NUIT" ATOP MOUNT ROYAL, THE GALA CELEBRATION WHICH ANNUALLY INTRODUCES MONTRÉAL'S WINTER SPORTS SEASON. THE THREE LOWER SCENES ARE TYPICAL OF MONTRÉAL'S "BRIGHT LIGHTS" AT NIGHT.

When you Call... Plateau 3221

THE photographs on this page show the Diamond telephone system, the one you reach when you call a Diamond Taxi at PLateau 3221. Taken on New Year's Eve, they show the boards with a capacity staff at work. Very few, even of Montréal's most blasé inhabitants, are aware that this City boasts one of the largest and most up-to-date taxi telephone dispatch systems on *the entire continent*. Yes, more extensive than any found even in the largest cities south of the border. Incoming calls are handled over thirty lines in charge of some sixteen operators. Tickets are made up and sent over a conveyor belt, to be distributed among twelve dispatch operators in charge of as many separate zones, each representing a section of the City. Direct lines are available to 115 taxi stands scattered throughout the city, as well as to various hotels, hospitals, clubs and railway stations. Approximately 212 airline miles of cable—856 miles of wire is required to connect the various telephones which make up the Diamond Taxi system—enough to circle the City many, many times. Over this extensive system of communication some 4,000,000 Taxi calls were handled during 1940—proof enough that Montrealers are taxi-conscious.



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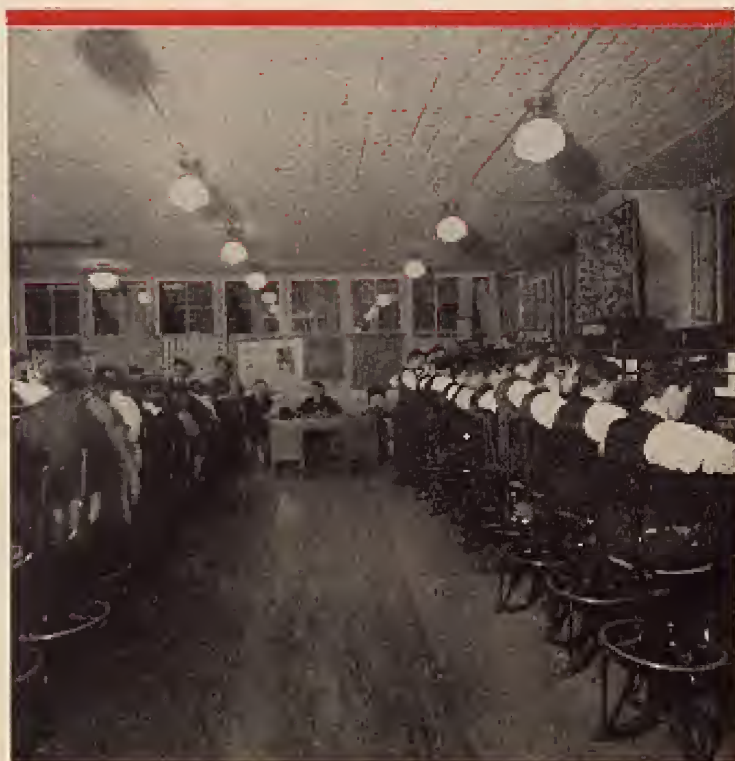
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The Laurentians

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OUR Laurentian Tour also begins at Dominion Square. North to Sherbrooke we turn east to St. Denis and then north again to the village of Ahuntsic on the northern shore of the Island. We leave Montreal Island via "Pont Viau" and drive onto Ile Jésus, an exceptionally fertile island and the largest next to that of Montréal formed at the confluence of the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Rivers. We gather speed over a fine highway to the northern shore of Ile Jésus and cross the Rivière des Mille-Iles (Thousand Islands River) over the "Pont David" to reach the mainland beyond. Here we turn west and travel over a picturesque five miles stretch of road leading to Ste-Thérèse-de-Blainville and the new highway into the heart of the great natural park of the Laurentians.

Our highway skirts the town of Ste-Thérèse and reaches directly north into the foothills. We slow down as we arrive at our first important community, St-Jérôme. The priest and the lumberjack first paved the way into the Laurentians and of these hardy pioneers none did so thorough a job as Curé Labelle, founder of St-Jérôme. A huge bulk of a man, weighing over three hundred pounds, Curé Labelle travelled far and wide in his specially built canoe to preach his faith and sow the seeds of colonization. With his two trusty Indian guides he struck out north and east and west and where he went peaceful settlements grew. St-Jérôme became a key city for the frontier beyond and today it is the jumping off place for a huge area of beautiful and bountiful country which each year receives its thousands of sport-loving, relaxation seeking city dwellers.

As we leave St-Jérôme behind we suddenly find ourselves in the foothills and in a trice the hills have become mountains. Though among the oldest members of the mountain family, the Laurentians make no pretensions to phenomenal altitudes. Height varies between 1000 and 1500 feet. Their chief charm lies in luxuriant foliage, a sweeping contour of line, wide vistas suddenly exposed, dashing rapids, quiet pools, and picturesque towns. There is the sharp contrast of fir, spruce, balsam and pine, with maple, poplar,

white birch and ash. Scattered farmhouses with high pitched roofs, gabled windows and neatly fenced fields proclaim the domain of the habitant, prototype of the city dwelling French Canadian. For generations the hardy habitant has tilled the fields, sown and reaped his crops, and raised numerous children. He lives in simple serenity, content with the growth of the soil, happy in the love and respect of his family. In the cool of the evening you may find him comfortably ensconced on the balcony of his home, completely relaxed after a long day in the fields, drawing gently on his pipe, the pungent aroma of *tabac naturel* strong about him.

Proceeding northward we pass through Lesage and Shawbridge, the latter one of the great centres of winter sports in the lower hills. From this point we follow the twisting course of the North River which has its origin at the height of land near Mont Tremblant and tumbles south for 150 miles down



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Piedmont is our next village, a picturesque hamlet nestled at the junction of two soaring peaks and famed for its fast hills and good cheer during the long months of winter. A long stretch of steeply climbing highway follows and over the brow of a long hill we suddenly come into Ste-Adèle-des-Monts.

At Ste-Adèle and vicinity we have a wide choice of fine hostelrys where an excellent lunch may be obtained with a swim or a rest during the early afternoon. Or you may ask our driver to push on north where fine highways carry you through Val Morin, Ste-Agathe, Ivry, Ste-Jovite to Mont Tremblant, all resorts of fine repute where the best of food and amusement can be found.

Our tour leaves again for Montréal when you are ready, and carries you back along the same route to Ste-Rose where we branch off into the Curé La-belle Highway, in order to bring you to the north western entrance to the City of Montréal. Then, through the Town of Mount Royal, and the Côte des Neiges District of the city, we drive between the twin

heights of Westmount Mountain and Mount Royal down to the Sherbrooke Street level and back to Dominion Square . . . a trip that has given you approximately ten hours of unalloyed pleasure in a region that will linger in your memory for many years to come.



The pictures above give the visitor a rough idea of the wonderful streams and lakes which abound just north of Montréal. The Laurentians are a sportsman's paradise and are thoroughly organized to yield the kind of sport your heart desires. Fine paved highways lead right into the heart of the fishing and hunting country.

West Island & the Lakeshore

TOUR NO
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MONTREAL'S Lakeshore promenade is one of the most delightful trips we can suggest. The "Lakeshore" is a winding, tree-shaded highway semi-circling the island from the centre of the northern shore westward around the tip of the island and back into the City proper. It forms a natural playground for Montrealers and most of our important Golf Clubs, Yacht Clubs, Paddling Associations, Swimming Clubs and kindred organizations dwell along the shores of beautiful Lake St. Louis.

Our starting point is Dominion Square and our immediate objective Cartierville, on the Rivière des Prairies, the northern boundary of the Island. Leaving the Square we ascend the slopes of Mount Royal along Côte des Neiges Boulevard, and run down the other side along Queen Mary Road, travel into Boulevard Décarie and reach the Town of St. Laurent. Here we link up with the Cartierville highway and in a trice have arrived at the edge of the River.

At Cartierville we turn westward and in leisurely fashion a fine paved highway unwinds before us sometimes almost touching the river banks, sometimes branching for some hundreds of yards inland. For 15 miles we continue on, through Saraguay, Ste-Geneviève and Senneville, to reach Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue at westernmost tip of the Island. All along this riverside drive are great estates; well kept gardens and lawns may be glimpsed through heavy foliage, and there is the constant glint of sparkling sun on the fast-rushing waters of the Rivière des Prairies.

At Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue, we have completed about one-third of our journey. The road, now southeast in direction cuts inland for approximately 3 miles at this point passing close by the grounds and buildings of famed Macdonald College, Agricultural Faculty of McGill University. Passing through Baie d'Urfé, Beaconsfield, we reach Pointe-Claire and the lake. Lake St. Louis is formed by the junction of the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Rivers and is a wide body of water, excellently suited for the sailing, rowing, bathing, and other kindred sports which flourish on its many beaches during the summer months.

From Pointe-Claire into Lachine, we enjoy a continuous scene of varied activity demonstrating the sport-

loving tendencies of Montrealers. The Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club proudly raises the flag at Dorval; many Country Clubs, including "Royal Montreal" the finest golf course on the Island may be seen. The Road winds its way in and around interesting bays and coves, provides a thoroughly delightful panorama of shore and lake scenery.

We terminate the lakeside portion of our drive at Lachine. Here we see the head of the famous Lachine Locks, built to escape the fierce rapids of the St. Lawrence at that point. We branch into the Ville Lasalle Road, better known as the Lower Lachine Road and get a magnificent view of Lachine Rapids as we run alongside the St. Lawrence into Ville Lasalle and from there into Verdun, a thriving community forming part of Greater Montreal. Verdun's broadwalk is miles long and between it and our driveway is a continuous park with smooth green lawn and a great variety of flower beds. Our route is direct through Verdun to the City proper and thence once again to Dominion Square, our starting point.



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